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Sir:

During the telephone interview that took place on April 21, 2003, applicant's representative maintained that claim 12 is not anticipated by Lindberg et al. Applicant's representative specifically pointed out that if one interprets FIG. 3 of Lindberg et al as showing several router modules 42, the modules 42 do not meet the requirement of claim 12 that they should have a plurality of signal output terminals.

No agreement was reached with respect to allowability of claim 12.

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